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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

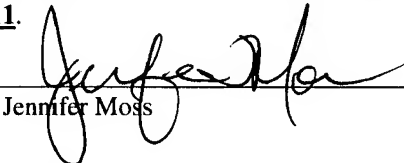
Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 03/31/11, Applicants reaffirms the election of Group I comprising claims 1-21 and claims 23-29, and the election of species I relating to the non-glycerol stabilizing means. In addition and as required in the Office Action dated 03/31/11, applicant elects "protease inhibitors" as a species of the non glycerol stabilizing means.

In addition, the examiner requires identification of the claims encompassing the elected species or grouping. These claims are believed to be Claims 1-8 and claims 10-20. The election is made without traverse.

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